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Attached please find the following documents which are due on July 19, 2007 for the above-noted patent application:

- 1) Amendment Transmittal (1 page, in duplicate); and
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- ☐ Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

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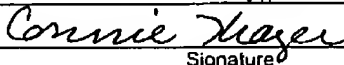
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In re Application of:

Robert Ainsworth, *et al.*

Examiner: Smith, Ruth S.

Application No. 09/872,310

Art Unit: 3737

Filed: May 31, 2001

For: CATHETER WITH OPTICAL FIBER SENSOR

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper and the Remarks follow the Claims.

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